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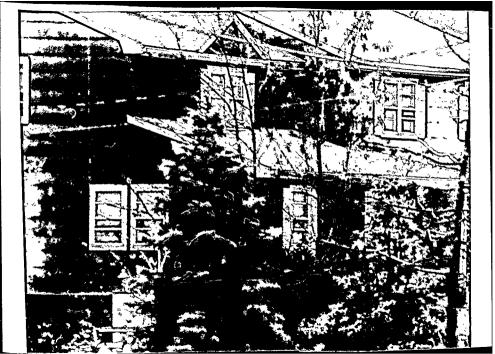
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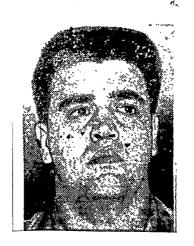








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VINCENT GIGANTE

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By ALEX BENSON and FRED J. COOK, World-Telegram Staff Writers.

Vincent (The Chin) Gigante, described by federal prosecutors as "the No. 1 boy" of racket king Vito Genovese, drew two salaries from the Washington Square Village Corp. during the early stages of the taxpayer-aided slum clearance development, the World-Telegram learned today.

Gigante, who was acquitted by a jury on charges he bounced a bullet off the skull of mobster Frank Costello on May 2, 1957, was a building superintendent for the Title 1 slum clearance developers at the time, according to detectives who investigated the Costello shooting.

Police reports showed Gigante had been living, up until the night of the shooting, at 134 Bleecker St., a building within the slum clearance site, and that he was employed there as a super.

2 Forms Made Out.

Wether he also managed a second building for the sponsors wasn't clear, but payroll lecords filed by the Washington Square Village Corp. in the city Comptroller's office showed that two federal with holding tax forms had been made out for Gigante.

One form showed that he had received \$225 in wages in 1957; the other reported payment of \$675—a total of \$900.

Detectives who investigated the obortive attempt it rub out Costello pieced together a detailed picture of Gigante's dual role as mobster and building superintendent. derworld strongarm, Gigante brushed the coattails of gangdom's grad, detectives found. He was an intimate of Anthony (Tony Bender) Strollo, a Greenwich Village and North Jersey power—and, finally, of Genovese.

Fought Handyman.

In his second role as building super, Gigante didn't overexert himself. Detectives found he had a Negro handyman who did most of the dirty work. Early in 1957, according to detectives, Gigante and the handyman had a fight.

Some of Gigante's boys piled on the handyman, the handyman's pals came to his aid—and in the scuffle Gigante wound up with a stab wound. Not long afterward, Frank Costello got out of a cab in front of his swank Central

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Park W. apartment house, and as he was, walking through the lobby, someone let off a shot that might have killed him if he hadn't turned his head in the nick of time.

Detectives investigating the case get a description of the killer as a paunchy, hulking man who waddled. They conducted a long hunt for Gigante, who had vanished from his post as a Washington Sq. super, and eventually brought him to trial. But the jury returned a verdict of acquittal.

The decision did not mark the end of The Chin's experiences with the law. These experiences had begun, according to police reports, in 1945 and had included arrests on such charges as criminally receiving stolen goods, larceny, arson, violation of the Sullivan Law, bookmaking and gambling.

The jury in the Costello shooting case acquitted Gigantte on May 28, 1958, but already other trouble was brew-

ing.

His mentor, Vitto Genovese, had had the bad fortune to be picked up at the Apalachin gangland convention on Nov. 14, 1957, while The Chin was in prish waiting trial. The public hullabaloo about he Mafia conclave put federal investigators on the trail, and Gigante and Genovese were